

DEXTER VILLAGE COUNCIL  
REGULAR MEETING  
MONDAY, AUGUST 27, 2012

**A. CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 PM by President Keough at the Dexter Senior Center located at 7720 Ann Arbor Street in Dexter, Michigan.

**B. ROLL CALL:** President Keough

J. Carson

D. Fisher

J. Smith

P. Cousins

J. Semifero

R. Tell

Also present: Donna Dettling, Village Manager; Courtney Nicholls, Assistant Village Manager; Allison Bishop, Community Development Manager; Carol Jones, Village Clerk; Dan Schlaff, Public Services Superintendent; DeBorah Borden, Washtenaw County Public Health Department; Scott Maurer, Utility Department; residents and media.

**C. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES**

1. Regular Council Meeting – August 13, 2012

Motion Smith; support Semifero to approve the minutes of the Regular Council Meeting of August 13, 2012 with the following corrections:

Page 2, Non-Arranged Participation, correct Chelsea School Board to *Chelsea City Council* under the introduction of Kent Martinez-Kratz

Page 3, Village Managers Report, second bullet point, add *that she will be* before looking into installing public restrooms.

Unanimous voice vote for approval

**D. PREARRANGED PARTICIPATION**

None

**E. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA**

Motion Carson; support Cousins to approve the agenda with the following changes:

Move New Business item L-4, Recommendation from Parks & Recreation Commission, to item L-1 and re-number items L-1, L-2 and L-3 to L-2, L-3 and L-4. Request to move items J-2 and J-3, Requests from Non-Profit Organizations, off of the Consent Agenda to New Business Items L-6 and L-7.

Unanimous voice vote for approval

## **F. PUBLIC HEARINGS**

*Action on each public hearing will be taken immediately following the close of the hearing*

None

## **G. NON-ARRANGED PARTICIPATION**

None

## **H. COMMUNICATIONS:**

1. Upcoming Meeting List
2. Sign Calendar
3. Garden Club Letter
4. Scio Township Newsletter

## **I. REPORTS**

1. Community Development Manager Report – Allison Bishop

Ms. Bishop submits her report as per packet. Ms. Bishop gave the following verbal updates:

- Mill Creek Park – Cedroni is trying to finish. The stairway is moving along with some delay on the railings. Have submitted to the Michigan Trust Fund for the balance of the grant and for the Waterways Grant. JJR will be submitting additional consulting fees. Discussion followed on the items that need to be completed.
- Mill Creek Park Signage – looking for a group to help determine locations for signage in the Park.
- Border to Border Trail, Segment D-1 - have a conference call regarding the trail and the Right of Entry Proclamation.
- The Parks & Recreation Commission talked about the bike path along the Library steps and eliminating this feature. Will be looking for a credit for not including this in the project.
- The work for this year on the Ice Rink preparation is pretty much done.

2. Boards, Commissions. & Other Reports-“Bi-annual or as needed”

*Dexter Area Fire Department – Jim Seta/Ray Tell*

Mr. Seta reported on the following:

- Through July of 2012 have had 662 runs which is up over 2011 but the runs have been down in the Village with the biggest increase in Webster Township.
- The budget is aligned with spending. The department has ordered a new 4-wheel drive engine truck.
- The Board is taking a look at the proposed Interlocal Agreement.

- The ISO (Insurance Service Office) Rating is currently at a Class 5 and asking for an audit with the hopes that it will be reduced to a Class 4.
- The Board is looking at Capital Improvements and Dexter Township may be building a new station. There was an audit done through MIOSHA (Michigan Occupational Safety and Health Administration) and are looking at correcting items that were listed. Also looking at improvements needed at the Main Station.

*Gordon Hall Management Team Representative – Donna Fisher*

Ms. Fisher reported on the following:

- Civil War Days was a success and it brought in between \$13,000 - \$14,000.
- Dexter Daze Tours at the Gordon Hall had more attending than the previous year.
- Jim Parker has a book out about Gordon Hall which is available at the Dexter Museum for \$25.
- The Museum was able to purchase the Tally Ho from the Hoey Family for \$3000.
- The next event will be Christmas at the Mansion in early December.

### 3. Subcommittee Reports

Economic Preparedness

Facilities

*Website*-Mr. Smith reported that he will be working on setting up a meeting of the committee. Ms. Nicholls reported that things are pretty close to begin functioning as the new website.

### 4. Village Manager Report

Mrs. Dettling submits her report as per packet. Mrs. Dettling gave the following verbal updates:

- Things are still delayed on the Dexter Pinckney-Island Lake Road Sidewalk Project but the intent is to finish by September 15.
- The cost will be somewhat higher for the graffiti cleanup project as there is the need to do some containment. The cost will be \$7200 and work will be done in late September.

### 5. President's Report

Mr. Keough submits his report as per packet. In addition Mr. Keough gave the following verbal update:

- Mr. Keough reported that comments of the Interlocal Agreement by the Village Attorney were emailed and will be discussed at the September 10 meeting. Dexter Township discussed the Agreement at their last meeting and they probably won't vote on it until October.
- Took part in the ground breaking for the Dexter Wellness Center.
- Looking forward to the upcoming Suds on the River.
- Asked for Council's suggestions to fill open positions on Commissions and Boards.

## **J. CONSENT AGENDA**

1. Consideration of: Bills and Payroll in the amount of \$424,014.25

Motion Fisher; support Smith to approve item 1 of the Consent Agenda.

Unanimous voice vote for approval

## **K. OLD BUSINESS-Consideration and Discussion of:**

1. Discussion of: Cityhood Next Steps

The petitions have been submitted to the State Boundary Commission but have not yet been certified. Questions were raised as to when the referendum could be placed on the ballot and who will pay for it. Ms. Nicholls explained various scenarios depending on when the vote occurs. Trustee Smith reported that there were 373 signatures on the turned in petitions.

2. Discussion of: Waste Management Contract

Discussion followed on the various options presented which included but was not limited to looking for feedback on the options presented, is there more information needed on these options, what is the recommendation of staff, could there be a survey of residents on the options, and look at changes in the way brush is collected.

## **L. NEW BUSINESS-Consideration of and Discussion of:**

1. Consideration of: Recommendation from the Parks & Recreation Commission to Adopt a Tobacco Free Parks Policy

Motion Cousins; support Smith to adopt a Tobacco Free Parks Policy as recommended by the Parks & Recreation Commission.

Ayes: Cousins, Fisher, Smith, Semifero, Tell, Carson and Keough

Nays: None

Motion carries

2. Consideration of: Acceptance of Proposal from Fleis & Vandenbrink to Perform a Headworks Loading and Capacity Analysis for the Wastewater Treatment Plant in an Amount Not to Exceed \$12,200

Motion Cousins; support Tell to accept the proposal from Fleis & Vandenbrink to perform a Headworks Loading and Capacity Analysis for the Wastewater Treatment Plant in an amount not to exceed \$12,200.

Ayes: Smith, Semifero, Tell, Carson, Fisher, Cousins and Keough

Nays: None  
Motion carries

3. Consideration of: Recommendation from the Public Art Selection Committee for the Purchase of a Blue Heron Sculpture for Mill Creek Park for \$2850

Motion Cousins; support Semifero to accept the recommendation of the Public Art Selection Committee for the purchase of a Blue Heron Sculpture for Mill Creek Park in the amount of \$2850.

Ayes: Semifero, Tell, Fisher, Carson, Cousins, Smith and Keough  
Nays: None  
Motion carries

4. Consideration of: Recommendation from the Public Art Selection Committee for the Temporary Placement of the Sculpture "Icarus Rising"

Motion Carson; support Tell to accept the recommendation from the Public Art Selection Committee for the temporary placement of the sculpture "Icarus Rising".

Ayes: Tell, Carson, Cousins, Smith, Fisher, Semifero and Keough  
Nays: None  
Motion carries

5. Consideration of: Additional Services from Orchard, Hiltz & McCliment in the Amount of \$5,000 for the Central Street Project

Motion Carson; support Fisher to approve the payment to Orchard, Hiltz & McCliment in the amount of \$5,000 for additional services for the Central Street Project.

Ayes: Carson, Cousins, Fisher, Smith, Tell and Keough  
Nays: Semifero  
Motion carries 6 to 1

6. Consideration of: Request from the Non-Profit Organization – True Pursuit – for a Local Governing Body Resolution to Request a Charitable Gaming License

Motion Carson; support Tell to approve the request from the Non-Profit – True Pursuit – for a local governing body resolution to request a charitable Gaming License.

Motion Fisher; support Smith to postpone the request from True Pursuit.

Ayes: Fisher, Smith, Semifero and Keough  
Nays: Cousins, Tell and Carson  
Motion carries 4 to 3

7. Consideration of: Request from the Non-Profit Organization – Dexter Youth

Football League – for a Local Governing Body Resolution to  
Request a Charitable Gaming License

Motion Tell; support Cousins to postpone the request from the Dexter Youth Football League.

Ayes: Smith, Tell, Carson, Fisher, Cousins and Keough

Nays: Semifero

Motion carries 6 to 1

**M. COUNCIL COMMENTS**

Carson	Thanked all who conveyed condolences, visited at funeral home and for the nice floral bouquet in the recent death of his father.
Semifero	Noted that he appreciated the number on the pages corresponding to the online pages.
Smith	None
Jones	Dexter Daze has encouraged and posted no-smoking in Monument Park for two years.
Tell	None
Fisher	None
Cousins	Will be starting a remedial environmental class for the purpose of re-cycling in the Village.

**N. NON-ARRANGED PARTICIPATION**

None

**O. CLOSED SESSION FOR THE PURPOSE OF DISCUSSING THE  
POTENTIAL PURCHASE OF PROPERTY AND EMPLOYEE REVIEW IN  
ACCORDANCE WITH MCL 15.268 (a) and (d)**

**Mid-year Village Manager Performance Review  
Potential Purchase of Two Properties**

Motion Carson; support Smith to go into closed session at 9:17 PM for the purpose of discussing the potential purchase of property and employee review in accordance with MCL 15.268 (a) and (d).

Ayes: Semifero, Tell, Fisher, Carson, Cousins, Smith and Keough

Nays: None

Motion carries

Motion Smith; support Tell to leave closed session at 10:34 PM.

Ayes: Tell, Carson, Cousins, Smith, Fisher, Semifero and Keough

Nays: None

Motion carries

Motion Fisher; support Smith to direct the Village Manager to proceed as discussed in the closed session in relation to potential purchase of property.

Ayes: Carson, Cousins, Fisher, Smith, Semifero, Tell and Keough

Nays: None

Motion carries

Motion Tell; support Carson to direct the Village Manager to proceed as discussed in the closed session in relation to potential purchase of property.

Ayes: Cousins, Fisher, Smith, Semifero, Tell, Carson and Keough

Nays: None

Motion carries.

## **N. ADJOURNMENT**

Motion Smith; support Carson to adjourn at 10:36 PM.

Unanimous voice vote for approval

Respectfully submitted,

Carol J. Jones  
Clerk, Village of Dexter

Approved for Filing: September 10, 2012